

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
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Re: Applied Underwriters, Inc. v. Combined Management, Inc. - C07-5129 BZ

Dear Sir or Madam:

At filing, this matter was randomly assigned to United States Magistrate Judge Bernard Zimmerman. A hearing has since been scheduled for December 5, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. To allow the hearing to proceed as scheduled, pursuant to U.S.C. 28 §636(c), each party must consent to, or decline to proceed before, Judge Zimmerman. We have no record of your decision.

At [www.cand.uscourts.gov](http://www.cand.uscourts.gov) you will find a form to complete if you consent to proceed before Judge Zimmerman and a form to complete if you decline. A party is free to withhold consent without adverse consequences. Please complete and electronically file the appropriate form within 10 calendar days.

Sincerely,

Richard W. Wiking, Clerk  
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